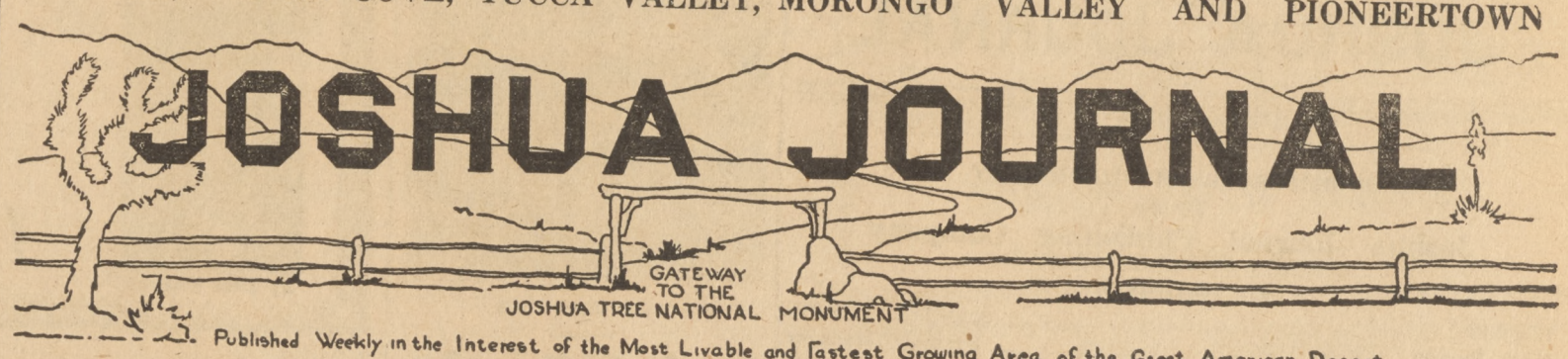
WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE NEWS IN THE HIGH DESERT COVERING JOSHUA TREE
SUNFAIR, INDIAN COVE, YUCCA VALLEY, MORONGO VALLEY AND PIONEERTOWN



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Plenty of "Beef" In Yucca Valley

YUCCA VALLEY — The annual trek of cattle from the upper ranges into the valley has produced a lot of "beef" in the area, most of which however isn't on the hoof, but in the oratory of many property owners who have their current crop of shrubbery harvested.

With the advent of chilly weather in the mountains comes the even chillier reception for the browsing bovines who drop to the lower levels for warmth and water. They get little water and the welcome is far from warm.

In the past three weeks the astray cattle have made a shambles of several carefully nutured landscapes, broken down one block wall, left their hoof prints in freshly laid concrete, eaten fruit trees, flowers, baled hay, trampled gardens and wrecked two cars, to say nothing of loss of sleep to harrassed property owners in both Yucca and Joshua Tree. The most recent car accident was caused by two steers that ran across the road in front of Walter Giles new Chevrolet, almost completely wrecking it. One animal was side-swiped and one hit from the rear, but not until the next day were the injured animals removed from the scene. On several occasions astray cattle have been reported to the cow hands at the Is-Hip-O Ranch whose brand was apparent on the animals, but only the past few days has any action been taken to remove them from the scenes of both vegetable and animal carnage. Despite the fact that this is only a cattle trail district the animals have been alowed to roam un-tended.

"Don't fence me in" seems to be the theme song of the stock owned by Jim Stoker of the Is-Hip-O Ranch, for no effort has been made to corner the critters. Many property owners have strongly fenced their land against cattle, but who can fence them off the highway? Legally cattle cannot range freely in the valley since it is all privately owned land and therefore not "open range", but unfortunatetly the poor, dumb animals arn't up on their law and they just havn't been informed yet by anyone. Apparently the only solution is to inform their owner before more damage is done to animal, vegetable and temper.

Death and Taxes Inevitable Or You Can't Take It With You!

JOSHUA TREE — Read it and weep! Have you got troubles? You should be a tax assessor Vic Curran of Twentynine Palms, county tax assessor for this area, is really the target for many irate property owners who have recently gotten their tax bill for this year. But don't blame it all on Vic, for new State regulations have sharpened his pencil. Better you should be happy about it all for the past many years you have gotten off easy.

Assessment until recently was up to the local county regulations and to the generosity of the district assessor. But the State Board of Equalization has set up a standardized form for appraisal that is being used by most counties, or at least all counties that have been below standard. The reason being that a uniform set of values on property is needed throughout the state to eliminate confusion. Consider the position of banking and insurance firms that are confronted with a wide variance in values. A uniform assessment throughout the State means after all lower rates. So it is to the benefit of the tax payer that the new system is in effect. Higher appraisal means better protection on insurance and loans, and resale value.

The new appraisal form lists three general types of structure: square, L and U shapes. In addition ten classes of material and finish. Which means that if you have a square house your appraisal will be less than Mrs. Jones' U shaped house, even though you may have more floor space. The new sheet is quite fairly worked

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Leo Carrillo Hailed As Honorary Mayor Of Yucca Valley

YUCCA VALLEY—Guest of honor, and principal entertainer at the Lion's Club Ladies' Night banquet in Yucca Valley last Wednesday was Leo Carrilo, internationally famous moton picture star and current screen character in the "Cisco Kid" series being filmed at Pioneertown. Carrillo, introductd by O. D. Thomas as the "man who has spoken to more people than other person who was not running for a political office," kept his audience spellbound with his wit and reminisence. In acknowledgment to the offer of honorary mayor he replied that this was the first time that he had ever accepted the office in any community.

Carrillo told of his family and the early pioneering of California by his ancestors, and told his audience that even though there weren't the hardships encountered in the development of Yucca Valley and Pioneertown as they had in the olden days it was doubly hard to stay on in the face of present disappointments, but that persistency would be rewarded. He remarked that he expected to spend a great deal of time in the valley, as they were planning many television shorts here.

In the next few weeks, Carrilo plans to fly to Manila, London, and South America and personal appearance tours.

"What Federation Means"

Being "bigger than Ourselves"- So says Mrs. Frederick Dexter State speaker for the Southern District California Woman's Club Annual Convention, held in Palm Springs, Nov. 16.

Mrs. Dexter's 5 points for Being Bigger Than Ourselves in Club work through Federation:

1. Opportunities to meet and know better other clubs and what they are doing

2 By being Federated there is a greater opportunity for service to others

3 It is a stimulation for greater accomplishments in individual clubs, as the District and State awards are incentive to work harder

4 There is a broader scope through joint accomplishments, as most individual clubs could not afford the programs, speakers etc. that Federation gives them

5 The tradition that is Federation. The feeling of belonging to an organization that is as big as this "Being Bigger than Ourselves", as there are no bounderies in Federation

Southern District is made up of five counties, namely: San Diego, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Imperial, and the Joshua Tree Woman's Club feels honored to be a part of it. They were represented at the convention by Mrs. Gus Ojala, president and Mrs. Margaret Bair as delagate. Visiting members were: Mrs. Meredith Willey, Mrs. Mayme Delaney, Mrs. Herbert Longshaw, Mrs. Wm. Longshaw, Mrs. Clarance Woods, Mrs. Ray Rees, Mrs. Guy Peterson, Mrs. Henrietta Pepper, Mrs. Charles Peter-

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Somebody Should Tell 'em

LOS ANGELES — The So. Cal. Chapter of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation has begun its annual drive for funds. The national goal is two million dollars. (Someone should tell them about the desert cure. — Ed.)

Teen-Agers to Organize Band

TWENTYNINE PALMS — "Well, wash my feet and call me light-foot, I'm goin' dancin' tonight!" The joint will soon be jumpin' at the Gaunt Building in Twentynine Palms soon as that's where the teen-agers are going to have their dances when the new band gets all tuned up and in the groove. Roger Woodall, skin beater and un-official spokesman for the band says that the outfit will be arranged around Barbara Swain at the piano, Tommy Frye on trombone, Dick Baily pushin' the valves down, Don Le Page fingering the bass, and of course himself on the "jungle telegraph."

"DUSTY TRAIL RIDERS"

YUCCA VALLEY — The "Dusty Trail Riders" took their Sunday ride to Royall Springs above the Buckskin Club. On the ride were Gus and Norma Ojala, Stan Johnson and wife, Joe and Nora Lopez, Marj. Achard, Cliff Johnson, Rex Hamilton, Chic Ristine, Tex and Boots Sherwood, and Guy Richards.

Television History Made in Pioneertown with Full Color Film

PIONEERTOWN — Some very insignificant words, like that's it, concluded one of the most important events in the development of television when director Phil Krasne put the finishing touches to the first of a series of "Cisco Kid" productions for television. History was in the making at Pioneertown last week for the first all-color television picture ever filmed was made on the "Cisco Kid" location.

According to director Mel Marks, assistant to Phil Krasne, the recent pioneering color, television film is the first in a series of twenty-six television shorts to be made at Pioneertown. These shorts will be made on sixteen millimeter color film to be released some time in nineteen fifty-one, or soon after a back-log of twenty-six films have been accumulated. All wlil be made on the "Cisco Kid" vehicles, and each will be a complete plot in itself. The films will be of twenty-six minutes duration levaing four minutes of commercials. A sponsor has been arranged but at present his idenity is to be kept secret.

Each of these television shorts will be produced at Pioneertown by Phil Krasne, under direction of Marty Cohn and starring Duncan Renaldo with his eternal side-kick Leo Carrilo as Pancho. A different leadin lady will be used about every four or five films, otherwise the cast will remain almost constant. Local actors will be used to some extent and of course local scenry will be used exclusively. It is the local background that makes Pioneertown the lucky spot for the

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It's All Over But the Eating

JOSHUA TREE — The third annual Turkey Shoot is over and about twenty proud "hunters" are having turkey for Thanksgiving Some sharp-shootin' guys like Paul Griswold of Yucca staggered home with three (3 that is) birds. (We borrowed Paul's accurate .22 cal. and made three neat holes; the first in the center and the other two leading straight out! — please pass the sardines, Maw.)

The shoot held Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th at the ball park in Joshua Tree was the third and most successful from the standpoint of the number of marksmen. In all fifteen birds were won. The Virginia Herling Ranch and the Hubba-Hubba Ranche furnished the turkeys for the shoot.

Heading the list of marksmen was Paul Griswold with three birds, Harry Wheeler with two, Benedict two, Don Weston, W. Lindberg, Bill Royal, T. Humphreyville, Harold Jost, and Robinson each got one apiece. Wanda Lisby and Eddie Baldwin each won on the "lucky shot" targets. Short stuff Eddie wasn't sure just who won who, for his bird took off for home with Eddie hanging on the feet. Monty Norris came to his rescue and together they subdued the monster before it reached the end of the runway.

Morongo Real Estate in Fast Development

MORONGO VALLEY—Morongo Valley is enjoying a revival in real estate development that rivals the good, old days immediately after the war. Many new homes are going up and quite a few lots have been sold for future development. Pat O'Niel, exclusive agent for the Tincher properties gave your reporter a personally conducted tour of new developments.

Henry Clay who bought the two fire gutted houses on the Tincher Tract has already rebuilt and sold one and is at present rebuilding the second. Mr. Scheran, who has moved onto his lot in a trailer has started construction on a desert type, frame house. Mr. Charles Spray is building an addition to his place, and Mr. Mc Innish is building a five room, stucco home. Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Visser of Le Grand, Arizona are planning to build as also is Mr. Carter of Lincoln, Nebraska. Mrs. Elizabeth Dillin, City Treasurer of Pomona has recently purchased a lot and plans to build In addition there are five homes under construction in the Morongo annex.

Atom of Truth in Uranium Story

YUCCA VALLEY — Last week's story on the report of uranium near Dagget is true despite rumors to the contrary. However, the story was a bit previous and a slight retraction is in order, since no definite deal has been made with the miners.

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"The Devil Wouldn't Have a Chance"

A cynic once observed that, "God made the world, man made the city, but the devil made the small town." The reference is no doubt to gossip. But worse than gossip is inter-community rivalry between small towns in a localized area. Inter-urban competition is a good thing, but the subversive rivalry that exists between the communities in the land of the Joshuas is purely destructve. On the surface there exists the affable chiding between service club members, and the friendly insults on each other's weather. But where is the citizen who hasn't made a derogatory remark about his neighbor community, or confidently accused his fellow man in the next town of obstructionism? Lack of an appreciative word from the program committee has on many occasions invoked the remark that, "we'll never do anything for those so-and-so's again."

Let's kick the "skunk" out from under the bed. When "spirited" citizens from one desert town made horseplay of the ground-breaking ceremonies of another community it established the belief that no good could come out of said town, even though many of its members have since advised the tourists to be sure and see the place before you leave the valley. The ambulance fund and the district school squabble are another two examples of petty jealousy that smack of adolescence. Let one community get more publicity than another, *regardless of reason* and favoritism is accused.

We could go on for hours citing the greviences and supposed hurts, but that may stimulate the still petty minded to "righteous indignation." Our purpose is to bury the bumbling past and submerge that pompous imperiousness to its deserving grave. We're not trying to "wave the flag", only to impress the simple truth that what helps one desert community helps another. Boost your neighbor, give credit even when it isn't expected, or philosophically shrug it off if you don't get your due thanks.

A new committee is being organized, a coordinating committee for the whole Star Route, desert area. Why not give it support and help promote our wonderful desert. Let's work together for a change. — Editor.

IN MORONGO VALLEY IT'S

Jimmy Gibb's

CAFE

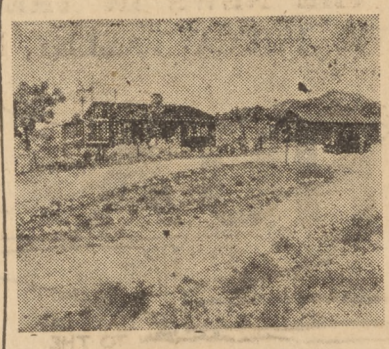
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THE JOSHUAS

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To pull the night shade low;
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Should let the light still glow.
I sense the stillness creeping in;
I feel the air grow chill.
Come lonly thought that seem akin
To sadnes,—'gainst my will'!
Yet night has its rightful place;
And I would have it so.
But in the darkness give me grace
To keep my faith aglow.

Neighborly— J. L. O.

Thanksgiving Day — Then and Now

It was Governor Bradford who first set aside a day, away back in the year 1621, in order that the Pilgrim Fathers at Plymouth might give due homage to Divine Providence for the blessings of a good harvest. To each of us comes a mental-picture of these early American settlers as they wended their way through woods single-file to church. We see the men carrying rifles over their shoulders, and the little ones holding securely to their bonnet-ted-mothers.

Years passed and in 1863 the last Thursday of November was finally established as a legal holiday; it is fixed by proclamation of presidents and governors of state. But now the picture from the former serious-minded Pilgrims to care-free friends and relatives setting down at tables that groan undar the weight of food. All over the world America is symbolic of abundance; all over the world our food goes out to supply the needy and less fortunate. We of the Southlaand are especially fortunate because this year Southern California has had the greatest farm-production in its history!

Great Spirit Father for the abundance of the harvest of 1949 we are truly thankful. We know that sincere gratitude is the surest way if increasing our bounty, and that the recogination of its SOURCE is our constance hope!

— J. L. P.



Harvey In Hollywood

by Don Harvey

SPECIAL TO THE JOSHUA JOURNAL

Hi Neighbors! Just back in town from a week's location trip to PIONEERTOWN. Spent most of that week riding pell-mell over the desert in a futile attempt to escape justice at the hands of THE CISCO KID and PANCHO. It's probably not news to you that DUNCAN RENALDO and LEO CARRILLO play the parts, but did you know that you'll soon be seeing them on TV? And in color yet!

Producer PHIL KRASNE did a little pioneering himself when he shot the first all color television pictures ever made and we have a sneaking idea that the beautiful Yucca Valley territory is going to look but beautiful on the color screens. Pioneertown may well put a lot of color in the national picture because the Saturday Evening Post photographers were out all week shooting color stills to illustrate a feature article in the mag. Maybe all this will put a few bright colors in the blue picture some of the Pioneertown folks have been seeing lately.

Along those same lines RUSSELL HAYDEN, President of the Pioneertown Corporation, is currently starring in a series of six hoss-opreys for Lippert Productions. He co-stars with JIMMY ELLISON and FUZZY KNIGHT and they are really making them in a Hollywood hurry . . . six pictures in six weeks. Thought in passing: Wonder why RUSS didn't make them at his own Pioneertown?

Just in case you were wondering how BILL (Hopalong Cassidy) BOYD has been making out lately, may we tell you he is doing okay. NBC has paid BILL $250,000.00 this year for the use of his old "Hoppy" westerns on television. Poor guy!

The just-finished visit to Pioneertown was the cause of a couple of reunions. Desert-rat WES HUDMAN had a chance to talk over old New York times with BILL LEICESTER and yours truly had a lot of fun talking about Kansas with your editor, MARTEL FERRIS. It It seems we were raised within 30 miles of each other back in the Sunflower state and both very carefully kept from absorbing any knowledge while attending Hutchnison Junior College. It's a small world! Good idea: Why doesn't some producer consider Wes (Pioneertown) for a series of westerns . . . he looks the part and can ride like a demon. (We know!)

Since this is our first appearance in the Journal may we invite you folks to ask questions about Hollywood. Send them along to the Journal and we'll try to tell you anything you want to know about the folks you see . . . IN THE MOVIES!

Morongo Valley Notes

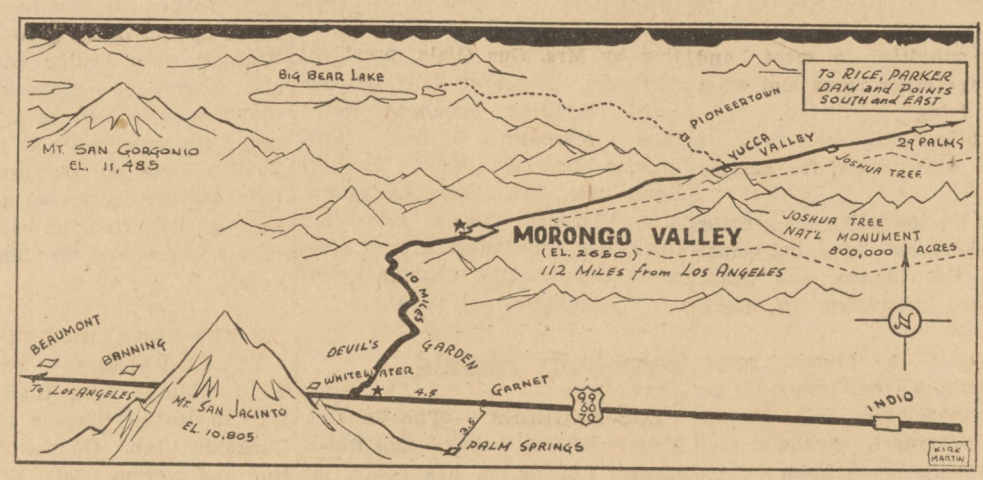
MR. and MRS. LEWIS E. JAECKEL of Glenn Ranch, Calif., were visitors at the Lodge the past week. They own and operate a store in Lyall Canyon. The Jaeckel's checked in at a certain popular, millionaire's desert resort, but didn't like the place and came up to Morongo for the remainder of their vacation. Smart people . . . Action has finally started on the "Dead Man's" curve in Devil's canyon. The guard rail has been dismantled in preparation for widening the curve. . . . Johnny and Elinor of Joshua Tree will be entertaining at the Double-Oh, Oh! Ranch. . . . Mrs. Fobes is a grandma again, to a new baby girl . . . The forty thousand gallon water tank on the Tincher Tract will be moved soon over near the main tanks John Lyons will do the job . . . . The county road crew is progressing rapidly up the hill with the widening job. Anybody want any rocks? There's plenty being dug up and shoved over by the road crew . . . . Jimmy Gibb is featuring a fine turkey dinner this Thanksgiving . . . (send your news to the Journal office not later than noon Monday.)

Watch for Christmas Festival.

MORONGO — Jimmy Gibb's chef "Chuck" is puttin' out a fancy seven course Thanksgiving dinner.

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Joshua Tree Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bliss of Westwood were guests of Margret Bair last week . . . . That was quite a rendering of old songs at the SPORTS CENTER last Saturday p. m. The Pauley's, H. Wheeler, D. Weston, Dean and Rosie and O. D. together with Don and June made up the chorus . . . . The ambulance took Mrs. Sonya Walker to the Naval Hospital at Long Beach with an attact of kidney stones. . . . (Buy your Xmas tree from a Boy Scout) . . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jack Turner of West Covina were visitors last week. . . . Dr. Dodson's wife was up on a visit a couple weeks ago. . . . Those are mighty economical prices at the TRADING POST for the Thanksgiving specials. 'Taint cheeper to buy below. . . . Garry is back in the used car business. Board of Eq. says O. K. . . .Don Watson won 1st prize of 23.00 dollars in the pool tournament at SPORT CENTER H. Weeler won $12 for 2nd., B. Longshaw $7 for 3rd. and Gus Ojla $3.75 for fourth. . . .Real estate sales are picking up. . . . Kay and Nat Masi are sure sold on Joshua Tree. A good place to rest after a week in the big, smogy city. . . .Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Clifford of Venice were visitors and Fred Fullum is staying at the Le Orra Courts for a week. . . . How come B. Longshaw was so nervous at the Turkey Shoot Sunday, hmmmm? . . . . J. T. Chamber of Commerce will meet Dec. 9th for election of officers. . . . Latest Rumor on Section No. 13 Dept: Agents for H. H. and H. K. J. made the deposit to run power to Section No. 13 Ah, Hah! a little light on the subject.

Stacy Rips Fingers On Cross - Cut

JOSHUA TREE — Geo. Stacy of the Building Supply decided that he didn't need the fingers on his left hand, but changed his mind mid-way in the operation Saturday afternoon when he became involved with the power saw at the Building Supply. Being a bit tired and apparently a little careless after a hard day and a long week Mr. Stacy let his left hand stray too near the whirling power saw and all but lost three fingers of his left hand. Jack Crane was summoned from his realty office across the street and after quick first-aid rushed Stacy to the hospital in Twentynine Palms.

Sporting a brand new metal brace for injured fingers and a shaky smile, Mr. Stacy made public appearance over the week-end to allay the rumors that he's lost his arm at the elbow. In spite of cut fingers Mr. Stacy plans to be on duty at the Building Supply this week, barring any complications.

Women's Bazaar Success

The Joshua Tree Women's Club Bazaar held Nov. 18th and 19th was a great success. Thanks go to Mrs. Guy Peterson, Chairman of Crafts and the women in her various departments, which included most of the members in the club.

Those who attended found exquisite hand work — adorable toys and the usual delicious home cooked foods donated by the good cooks of Joshua Tree.

The prices were reasonable and the response good. We thank all our friends who made the Bazaar such a success. There are only a few items left which will be on sale at the Women's Club and anyone interested can see Mrs. Peterson. A number of orders were taken which will be filled in time for Xmas giving. Thanks.

We will pay off eight notes with the proceeds and have some left for our new project, a new stove. On serving our first dinner we found our cooking facilities inadequate. Already a fund is started and before we have another dinner we hope to have a new stove. See the Women's Club for your gifts all the year around.

Those who have pie or cake plates may call for them at Mitchell's Real Estate Office.

Buy Christmas Seals



Help Stamp Out TB

HELEN GERHARD TO SPARK-PLUG SALE OF XMAS SEALS

JOSHUA TREE — Mrs. Helen Gerhard has been appointed to serve as the Joshua Tree Chairman for the Christmas Seal Sale which this year will be conducted from Nov. 21 to Dec. 25, according to an announcement made today by Mrs. Bertha Lee, executive secretary of the San Bernardino County Tuberculosis & Health Association. The purpose of the campaign, part of the nationwide Christmas Seal Sale, is to raise funds for the 1950 program of our county association.

Death and Taxes

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out and the truth is you are getting a much fairer appraisal than you used to even if it costs you more. Does that make sense?

Ten new appraisers have been trained under the new Equalization Board system and they will soon have the tax situation well in hand. One of the areas heavily affected by the increased tax assessment is Yucca Valley which had an additional State school tax of three twenty-nine and a fire district rate of sixty-six added. But it takes more to get more, so there you are mister tax payer. Don't hound your assessor, Mr. Curran, too much for you'll have to pay the tax anyhow, and his extra gas bill for the extra trip to listen to your "beef."

There is another side to this business of taxes, however. Even though this area has been put on the "equality" basis as far as appraisal is concerned that still does not give us any more public service, such as better roads, fire protection, and police protection. Perhaps these will come with the higher assessment, we hope.

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Yucca Valley Notes

CLAY TUNGSTALL has a sure fire method for removing women from his path, Oh, Yeah? . . . . (Buy your Xmas tree from a Boy Scout) . . . B. C. has a sudden taste for P. T. and blonds. . . .ED & AL HARDESTY together with Clay Tunstall and Jim Coffey of Banning caught their limit of trout from the Colorado near Nelson, Nevada last Sunday and Saturday. While navigating a rapids with two out-board motors one motor quit and both Ed and Al jumped to revive the dead engine Ed slipped on a fish, collided with Al and they both went over-board. Ed was rescued by the hair and Al's number ten boot caught on the gun-whale. The water was cold. . . . (Watch for the Xmas Festival date) . . . Palm Springs had their stock troubles fifteen years ago and had to incorporate. Indian ponies used to roam the streets at will . . . SUFDY is spudding in a well for Fred Sanders just west fo the P. T. road in Water Canyon. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Brenan of Pasadena spent a few days at the Meyer's courts. . . . JUDGE POST and JACK CONES almost held court for ORVILLE WELCHER t'other day when he roared by in a racer. The law was visitin' just around the corner.

The Yucca Valley Community Service Club is having a big dance Wed. evening, Nov. 23, everyone welcome, dancing begins at 8:30 Come One Come All.

The Yucca P. T. A. Bazaar will be at the American Legion Hall. Watch for more information on this matter. Don't forget December third.

A surprise visitor to his folks was Tommy Miller who walked in on his folks Saturday A. M., Harriet Garver was out for the week-end but had to return to town on Monday but is anxious to get back out here to stay again very soon.

Laurence Lewin of the Universal City Fire Dept. and his brother-in-law, Don Dobbins were week end visitors at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Lewin. Ed and Al Hardesty, Clay Tunstal and Mr. Coffee all went to the Colorado River on a fishing trip over the weekend.

A STITCH IN TIME

YUCCA VALLEY — The Women's Club of Yucca Valley are quite busy these days sewing for the Christmas Festival. In fact they are so busy that they have no time for their regular meeting this week. However, they are meeting at Mrs. Pietchman's home almost daily while getting ready the handiwork for the Festival. Watch for the announcement of the Festival date.

Buy your Xmas Tree from the Boy Scouts.

Television History

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first all-color television film. "The combination of clear air and beautiful back-ground can't be matched anywhere else," said Marks.

Louie Geromprey, "expediter" for the films will use a technique introduced in film making by him, that of shooting "serially", or scenes for several pictures at a time, and using more than one camera. Louie is known as the "first sergeant", for when he blows his whistle for action he just ain't kiddin!

Another "Cisco Kid" will probably be in production again before Xmas at Pioneertown, depending upon how the previews are on last weeks shooting. Along with the television shots "Cisco Kid" number five was filmed. But the glory of having the first color television short fate delt a rather scurvy trick. Ironically, Pioneertown's beautiful, scenic mountains bar her from possibly ever seeing any television broadcast of the first all-color television film.

Lions Club

Last Thursday evening the Lion Club's regular meeting was turned into Ladie's Night.,, with Leo Carrillo and Duncan Renaldo as the guest speakers. Both parties gave us very interesting bits of news and much room for serious thought on our surrounding country as well as our own community. After a very lovely supper the group adjourned to the game room to play bingo and dance for a while. a while.

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Greenhorn Gardner

BY RUTH HALE

Our apoloies, Ruth, your copy was lost in the shuffle. — Ed.

What Federation Means - -

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son, Mrs. Mary Rose, Mrs. Julia Laughlin, and Miss Victoria Hedin. Guests of the Joshua Tree Club were: Mrs. Art Goodwin, Mrs. French Lewis, Mrs. Jack Le Vee and Mrs. M. Woodall from the Yucca Village Women's Club.

State President, Mrs. J. T. Cooper — Puts Blame for Child Delinquency on Parents. She says: "Where do the unloaded guns come from that kill so many Who is to blame for keeping guns where children can reach them? What is more important, the baby left unattended in the tub to drown, or the doorbell or telephone? She says we should stop talking about Child Delinquency, and start considering parent and grand-parent delinquency. If children do not learn law and order, and respect for privacy and property rights within the home, how can they take these attitudes out into the community and world? Pres. Cooper also brought out — Our public schools are the very backbone of citizenship training, and we must elect school board members and trustees who are interested in Public Schools, instead of parents who have sent their own children to Private schools.

A lovely display of Arts and Crafts, Ceramics, Leather work, and wood-work needle work and laces were furnished for the Convention by Ladies from the entire Southern District — a part of which was sent by the Joshua Tree Woman's Club — for which they received honorable mention, Mrs. Guy Peterson, chairman.

All in all, I'm sure all who attended this lovely 48th Annual convention came home with a feeling — "Bigger than Themselves!"

Watchman in Night

Evangelist From Desert Church Helps Arrivals in Dark Hours After Tent Service Closes

By WILLIAM A. MOSES, Times Religion Editor.

To the Rev. Edward O. Garver, watchman of the night, Christ's unsleeping love for the fallen, His miracle of grace, are available at any dark hour for those who will accept Him.

Pastor of a community church in Yucca Valley, a district about 125 miles from Los Angeles on the Twentynine Palms Road, Eddie Garver is an insatiable evangelist. That is why he took leave from his church aand applied for the job of night watchman at the huge tent at Washington Blvd. and Hill Street.

Sobs in the darkness

Eddie knew that when the surging tides of evangelism ended with the nightly services, some people would return to the great tent, flotsam on memory's backwash of earlier sermons. And Eddie was right. They came singly or sometimes in pairs Above the rustle of the tent flaps and intermittent sound of the traffic Eddie heard the shuffling of feet in the sawdust, sobs in the darkness.

Leading conscience stricken folk to a special row of chairs, Eddie prayed with them.

No "unusual" converts came in, Eddie says. Each is unique, yet each needs the same thing—prayer.

Winos and Wanderers

There are winos, nocturnal wanderers who drift like ships without a port and just plain conscience- bothered people. Each one thinking that where more than 6000 persons have walked the "sawdust trail" publicly, there he may find haven.

Eddie has his daylight hours, too. When he discovered that throngs came at noon Sundays for the tent's 3 p. m. service he passed out the hymn books and began song services By 2:30 p. m. Eddie was leading a larger meeting than any in Yucca Valley. Last Sunday he had 5000 persons with him an hour before the afternoon services began.

But those nocturnal hours are his alone. They can close down the tent services, but not Eddie.

Church Notes

Thanksgiving services at the Community Chapel in Joshua Tree Wednesday night, Nov. 24th at 8 p.m. The pubic is cordially invited. . . . . The Wright brothers brought the new Chapel bell for the church this week The bell, a beautfiully toned instrument, was acquired in the San Joaquin Valley. Its resonance will be heard throughout the valley . . . . Next Sunday night there will be a "pot luck" supper at 6:30 p.m. This is a new innovation and the public is invited to join the fellowship gathering. . . . Reverend Eddie Garver will be back in the pulpit at Yucca Community Church this Sunday after two month's absence to revival service in Los Angeles.

Watch for Christmas Festival.

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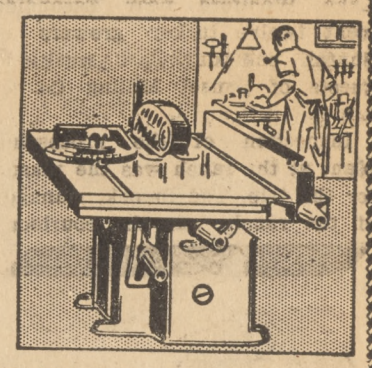
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THE TURKEY GROWERS PAGE

ASSEMBLED ON THIS PAGE EACH WEEK ARE NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE TURKEY GROWERS OF THE DESERT AREAS

Sunfair Notes

From his observation post and tour of the ranches Mr. Bunker estimated that perhaps five hundred dressed turkeys went the way of all flesh, via the Sunday visitor, this week-end . . . . . Silver-Dollar dressed out nearly forty roasters Saturday and Sunday . . . . Mr. Haynes out again this week, swapping yarns with "Chet" Bunker at "observation post" in Sunfair . . . . . The V-Bar-M shipped five hundred more hens Friday . . . . . The Strebe's of Doll House in Palm Springs flew up to the V-Bar-M in their new Bellanca for breakfast Thursday morning. Took the Summers for a spin over the area. Plan to bring several plane loads over some a.m. soon for a tour of Sunfair. . . . . Ray Powers of Long Beach flew up to the Silver-Dollar for his Thanksgiving turkey Saturday. We'll need a control tower soon . . . . The Witchen brooder house is finished, Bloom did the job . . . . The Silver Dollar Ranch donated a dressed turkey to the PTA to be raffled at a "dutch auction" Tuesday evening. Proceeds to go to the Boy Scout Treep.

Compas Ranch an Education to Turkey Growers

SUNFAIR — On an educational trip to the new Compas Ranch at Lake Wohlford near Escondido went twelve turkey growers of Sunfair one day last week as guests of Sunset Milling Co. of L.A.

Inspection of the processing plant at the ranch was the reason for the trip. Ted Smock, manager of the ranch, was the courteous host and showed the visitors through the plant and over the ranch.

Twenty thousand turkeys are being grown, processed and marketed from the ranch under the able management of Ted Smock.

Representing Sunset Milling on the trip was Bob Beals, Roy Hall, and C. W. Sorenson, aso Bill Rogers of Rogers Feed and Supply Co., Escondido, joined the party. Among the turkey growers from Sunfair were Mr. and Mrs. William Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kroes, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dutton, Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Bishop, Virginia Herling, Arthur Haynes, Mrs. Wm. Weygold, Abel Tarrasses and Chester R. Bunker of the Bunker Land Co. All present were guests of the Sunset Milling Co. at lunch in Escondido.

Peterman Instrumental in Revival of Old Mines

SUNFAIR— Many, many years ago ten miners formed a partnership to mine high grade ore in the Bullion mountains about forty miles north of Mayfair. In the course of events disagreement among the miners resulted in closing the mine before it even had a good start. One of the miners named Meller turned farmer and eventually was able to retire from his farm near Modesto. With time on his hands his thoughts turned to the old mine that had been abondoned years ago. He was the last one to leave. Had even left a shack full of groceries and a rifle behind the door So with his younger brother he returned to the old location to open the mine. But the hand of fate intervened once more.

Several months ago Peterman, landowner and turkey investor at Sunfair became interested in the area which is involved in our plot. He noticed on an old map the indication of a mine and a well. After nine trips to the area he finally found some old boards in the brush which covered the old well. To his surprise the water was near the surface. He filed on the water and immediate area.

Now back to the Meller brothers, on their return to the old claims they found the new claim of Lester Peterman and contacted him. Between the two they made a deal whereby the Meller brothers could mine the ore and Peterman would furnish the necessary material. A nice deal, but now the Petermans have part ownership in an active mine and a pleasant hill retreat equipped with water. Recently Mr. Peterman made up a twelve foot water column with foot valve, sucker rod and hand pump. He was unable to lower the water level with his rig.

Pioneer Spirit at Frye-Harmon Ranch

SUNFAIR — It seems almost facetious to say that there is a pioneer spirit at the Silver-Dollar ranch when the whole Sunfair set-up is a pioneer venture in turkey growing. But here at the Silver Dollar there is more than just the primary start of a turkey business, for new ideas are being tried the first year.

Mr. and Mrs. Frye and son Tommy, Jr., originally from Walnut Park, started in the turkey business this year at Sunfair on a joint venture with Ernest Harmon also of Walnut Park. Mr. Frye, who was a supervisor at Firestone Rubber for nearly twenty years felt the lure of the wide open spaces and picked Sunfair as his wide open spot. Here they started with nearly thirty-nine hundred young turkeys, about forty per cent Beltsville Whites and the rest Broad Breasted Bronze. And here's where the experimenting started. Which will produce the most meat per pound of feed, Whites or Bronze? And what kind of pens are the best for ranging turkeys? Also how much shade is needed? Of course old time turkey raisers will probably smile at these experiments, for they probably have known the answers for years, but no one has raised turkeys in this area before and maybe the answers won't be the same. So the Silver Dollar is out to find the answer.

Already they know that corner fencing in a brooder keeps young poults from smothering when crowded; already they have found the answer to how much shade. Just how far from shade must water pans be put is another answer. They know too that summer heat is just about a myth, as heat prostration accounted for only two birds. Total losses accounted for only about eight and one half per cent. Most of that in the poult stage. Next year when they won't be so busy fixing fence, building and other beginning chores the losses will be about half, because they will have more time for birds.

The Frye's have some more experimental ideas for next year, some really good ones that will be of benefit to the whole turkey industry. But we can't talk about them now. Proof that the pioneer spirit has paid off, the Silver-Dollar is doubling their flocks next year. There will be about seventy per cent Bronze and thirty per cent Whites in nineteen fifty; Apparently the Bronze have the best gain per pound of feed.

By the time Mr. Harmon retires, in three years, from his position in the Internal Revenue Dept. the Silver Dollar will be a famous and prosperous turkey ranch, thanks to his interest and the industry of the Frye's. And thanks to the cooperative spirit at the Silver Dollar, the new ranhcers will have an easier start.

(This is the first in a series of articles on the turkey ranchos of Sunfair, and the people who operate them, — Ed.)

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